

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

BRIAN CARDOSO,

Defendant

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M.B.D. Case No. 20-mc-91392

**MOTION FOR ENDS-OF-JUSTICE CONTINUANCE OF TIME
FOR FILING AN INDICTMENT OR INFORMATION, AND
EXCLUSION OF TIME, UNDER THE SPEEDY TRIAL ACT**

The United States of America, by and through Assistant United States Attorney Michael Crowley, with the agreement of counsel for Defendant Brian Cardoso, respectfully moves this Court to grant a continuance of the time within which an indictment or information must be filed, and exclude the time period from July 31, 2020, through and including September 30, 2020, from the speedy trial clock, pursuant to the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. §§3161(h)(7)(A), and Sections 5(b)(7)(B) and 5(c)(1)(A) of the *Plan for Prompt Disposition of Criminal Cases* for the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts (effective December 2008), on the ground that the ends of justice served by granting the requested continuance and excluding these periods outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. The parties further ask this Court to issue the attached proposed *Order of Continuance and Excludable Delay*. In support of this request, the parties state as follows:

1. Defendant was charged by a complaint; the case was initiated against Defendant by a criminal complaint in *United States v. Michael Brandao et al*, Case No. 20-MJ-06383-MPK. A detention order against Defendant, following a hearing on the government's motion for detention, was issued on July 31, 2020. Per Order of the District Court, regular grand juries have been postponed through the end of August 2020 due to the present COVID-19 health crisis. The

government is preparing initial discovery regarding the case (which is primarily materials related to a state arrest), and will provide the initial discovery to counsel for Defendant.

2. The requested exclusion of time will permit defense counsel to adequately confer with Defendant, and allow the government sufficient time to produce initial discovery. This discovery will allow Defendant to prepare for trial, as well as to review a potential resolution of the case. Such a pre-indictment resolution may benefit Defendant. The parties agree that, if the requested time is excluded, the government has until September 30, 2020 to return an indictment in this case. A proposed order is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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By: /s/ Michael J. Crowley
Michael J. Crowley
Assistant U.S. Attorney

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By: /s/ Michael J. Crowley
Michael J. Crowley
Assistant U.S. Attorney

Date: August 14, 2020